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Sir:

Applicants wish to bring to the attention of the U.S. Patent and Trademark

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U.S. Patent No. 5,354,288 to Cosgrove et al., 10/11/1994  
U.S. Patent No. 5,643,226 to Cosgrove et al., 7/1/1997  
U.S. Patent No. 5,685,865 to Cosgrove et al., 11/11/1997  
U.S. Patent No. 5,976,114 to Jonkman et al., 11/2/1999  
U.S. Patent No. 6,059,760 to Sandmore et al., 5/9/2000

Copies of the above-identified U.S. references are not submitted pursuant  
to 37 CFR 1.98 (d)(2).

All applicable presumptions and reservations afforded by 37 CFR 1.56 et  
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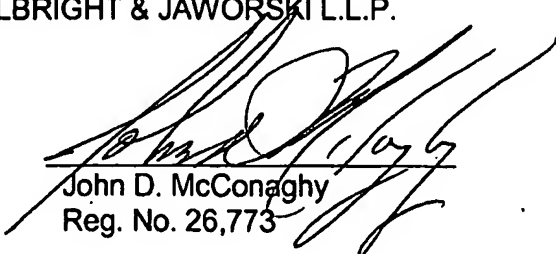
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